## **Introduced by Assembly Member Negrete McLeod**

August 10, 2004

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 258—Relative to Red Ribbon Week.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 258, as introduced, Negrete McLeod. Red Ribbon Week. This measure would proclaim October 25 through October 31, 2004,

as Red Ribbon Week, and would encourage all Californians to help build drug-free communities and participate in drug prevention activities.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Californians for Drug-Free Youth, Inc. (CADFY),
- 2 a statewide parent-community organization, the office of the
- 3 Governor, the office of the Attorney General, the State Department
- 4 of Alcohol and Drug Programs, the State Department of
- 5 Education, the California Parent Teacher Association, and over
- 6 100 other statewide agencies, departments, and organizations are
- 7 cosponsoring October 25 through 31, 2004, as Red Ribbon Week;
- 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, The National Family Partnership, Inc. initiated the
- 10 Red Ribbon Campaign after Drug Enforcement Administration
- 11 Agent Enrique "Kiki" Camarena was killed in Mexico by drug
- 12 traffickers in 1985; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Parents, youth, schools, businesses, law
- 14 enforcement, religious institutions, service organizations, senior

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1 citizens, medical and military personnel, sports teams, and 2 individuals throughout the State of California will demonstrate 3 their commitment to drug-free, healthy lifestyles by wearing and 4 displaying red ribbons during this weeklong celebration; and

WHEREAS, The theme of this year's effort is "Freedom is Drug-Free, Plant the Promise"; and

WHEREAS, Drug abuse stands as one of the major challenges our state faces in securing a safe and healthy future for our children; and

WHEREAS, The objective of Red Ribbon Week 2004 will be to promote this view through drug prevention, education, parental involvement, and communitywide support; and

WHEREAS, The Assembly of the State of California has further committed its resources to ensure the success of the Red Ribbon Week celebration; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby proclaims its support for the Red Ribbon Week celebration by proclaiming October 25 through 31, 2004, as Red Ribbon Week; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the Legislature encourages all Californians to help build drug-free communities and to participate in drug prevention activities by making a visible statement that we are firmly committed to healthy, productive, and drug-free lifestyles; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the Governor of the State of California, and to the author for appropriate distribution throughout the community.